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## Longest-serving defense employee retires

A 94-year-old Army civilian retired Jan. 2 after 65 years of service, making him both the longest-serving and oldest Department of Defense employee.

Louis Dellamonica worked as an engineer for Hawthorne Army Depot, Nev., his entire career.

At the retirement ceremony Dec. 15, Dellamonica was honored with letters and mementos from President George W. Bush, former Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Sens. Harry Reid and John Ensign, and Rep. Jim Gibbons. Kathryn Condon, AMC's executive deputy to the commanding general, presented Dellamonica with the Meritorious Civilian Service Award and a letter and coin from Gen. Benjamin Griffin, AMC commanding general. Brig. Gen. James Rogers, commander of the Joint Munitions Command, presented Dellamonica with the Superior Civilian Service Award.

Maj. Gen. Jerome Johnson, commanding general of the Army Sustainment Command, has nominated Dellamonica for the U.S. Army Ordnance Hall of Fame. In addition, AMC has renamed its “10 Outstanding AMC Personnel of the Year” award in his honor.

Dellamonica began working at Hawthorne in December 1941, just a few days after the attack on Pearl Harbor. For the full story, visit <http://www.amc.army.mil/amc/pa/releases07/longest.html>.

## Letterkenny repairs generators in Europe

Letterkenny Army Depot, Pa., is now repairing generators at the facility that will be the hub of all generator reset work in the European theater of operations.

The Field Logistics Readiness Center-Germersheim, Seckenheim, Germany, is a generator Center of Excellence and is operated by the U. S. Army Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command.

While generators will continue to be reset to the highest Army repair standards of complete refurbishment, Letterkenny is also implementing a new direct exchange program with U. S. Army Europe. Priority units will now have the opportunity to turn in used generators for reset and immediately be issued other generators from the facility's stock.

“This facility will change the way we support USAREUR units. This new operation will significantly reduce the amount of time units wait for their equipment and will greatly enhance the service we provide to Soldiers,” said Col. Robert Swenson, Letterkenny commander.

For the full story, visit <http://www.amc.army.mil/amc/pa/releases07/letterkenny.html>.

## Did you know?

Depot maintenance personnel from Anniston and Red River Army Depots completed the first phase in developing a plan to stand up depot capability at the Taji National Depot, Taji, Iraq. The personnel started working on the plan in July.

“This includes all the coordination and execution of the activities necessary to develop the supply and distribution piece, depot maintenance, demil and disposal requirements,” said Carey Anderson, TACOM Life Cycle Management Command. TACOM LCMC has the lead for developing the depot.

Anderson said the goal is for the Iraqi Program Management Office to take over the maintenance depot after a contractor is on board. The TND facility will use existing structures to house equipment and provide depot capability for tracked vehicles, wheeled vehicles, ground support equipment and small arms.

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